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STATE OF LOUISIANA
SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

LOCATION: STATE OF LOUISIANA

MONTH OF: MARCH 1981

LEGALLY REPORTABLE ACCIDENTS ARE THOSE INVOLVING DEATH, BODILY INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00) OR MORE IN THE ACCIDENT.

ACCIDENTS OCCURRING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT.

THIS SUMMARY INCLUDES REPORTS AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON:

04/20/81

I. MILEAGE RATES	THIS YEAR TO DATE	LAST YEAR SAME PERIOD	PERCENT CHANGE
A. Motor Vehicle Traffic Deaths	240	241	.40-
B. Estimated Motor Vehicle Mileage Traveled (Millions)	5536.52	5561.73	.40-
C. Death Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle-Miles	4.33	4.33	
D. Fatal Accident Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle-Miles			
E.			
F.			

I. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				TOTAL KILLED	NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED				NOTE: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage		Total	A Severe Injury	B Noticeable Injury	C Complaint of Injury	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	1831	23	746	1062	24	989	60	552	377	a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim to be carried from the scene.
	B. Overturned on Road	44	2	31	11	2	35	2	24	9	
	C. Pedestrian	192	16	172	4	16	179	29	82	68	
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	7634	35	2499	5100	45	4420	101	1172	3147	b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	932	1	108	823	1	131	5	63	63	
	F. Railroad Train	28	1	16	11	1	22	3	10	9	c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.
	G. Bicyclist	69		61	8		65	1	31	33	
	H. Animal	99		16	83		17	1	9	7	
	I. Fixed Object	283	2	107	174	2	151	10	85	56	
	J. Other Object	26		5	21		8	1	4	3	
	K. Other Non-Collision	35		13	22		14		5	9	
	TOTALS	11173	80	3774	7319	91	6031	213	2037	3781	

II. COMPARATIVE TOTALS (Type of Accident)		SAME MONTH LAST YEAR			THIS YEAR TO DATE			SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR			CHANGE CUMULATIVE DEATH RECORD
		All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	1785	24	941	5393	75	2794	4853	67	2594	11.90 %
	B. Overturned on Road	45		40	122	4	93	135	3	118	33.30 %
	C. Pedestrian	176	14	172	466	29	461	536	33	531	12.10- %
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	10168	42	5169	22803	115	13024	28441	116	13936	.80- %
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	1461		163	2716	1	385	4040	1	473	%
	F. Railroad Train	38	2	26	84	6	53	103	5	80	20.00 %
	G. Bicyclist	93	1	97	174	1	160	237	5	220	80.00- %
	H. Animal	107		23	324		58	315	1	56	%
	I. Fixed Object	647	6	303	946	8	497	1689	9	763	11.10- %
	J. Other Object	54	1	6	81		25	120	1	37	%
	K. Other Non-Collision	69		29	105	1	36	175		75	%
	TOTALS	14643	90	6969	33214	240	17586	40649	241	18883	.40- %

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IV. LOCATION		A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State, Parishes, Cities, Towns, Villages, Etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, Parkway, Military, Freeway Authorities and Commissions, Etc.					
		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS	
		TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED	TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED
ALL INCORPORATED PLACES WITH POPULATION OF 2,500 AND OVER, EXCEPT THOSE URBAN BY SPECIAL RULES FOLLOWED IN 1970 CENSUS													
A.	2,500 to 5,000	165	2	46	117	2	75	1			1		
B.	5,000 to 10,000	441	2	119	320	2	185	1		1			2
C.	10,000 to 25,000	958	3	253	702	3	414	5			5		
D.	25,000 to 50,000	948	2	281	665	2	423	2		2			5
E.	50,000 to 100,000	1222	2	340	880	2	522	2		1	1		1
F.	100,000 to 250,000	1858	2	499	1357	2	764	48		5	43		8
G.	250,000 or More	715	1	444	270	1	719	49		28	21		64
	TOTAL URBAN	6307	14	1982	4311	14	3102	108		37	71		80
ALL LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE													
A.	Interstate Routes	286	4	102	180	4	169						
B.	Other U.S. Routes	970	19	380	571	22	685	1	1			1	
C.	State Routes	1960	35	808	1117	43	1306	1			1		
D.	Parish Routes	1455	6	456	993	6	678	1			1		
E.	Toll Roads--Bridges	1		1			1	7	1	1	5	1	1
F.	Local Roads & Strts.	23		4	19		5						
G.	Not Stated	53		3	50		4						
	TOTAL RURAL	4748	64	1754	2930	75	2848	10	2	1	7	2	1
TOTAL URBAN & RURAL		11055	78	3736	7241	89	5950	118	2	38	78	2	81

V. TIME	TOTAL		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURDSAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Hour Beginning	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL
A. Midnight	331	8	34	1	39	1	30		33	1	30		69	3	96	2
B. 1:00	298	7	32	2	21	1	23	1	24		31	2	57		110	1
C. 2:00	264	4	14		21		17		22	1	38		63	1	89	2
D. 3:00	180	4	14	1	17		13		13		24		51		48	3
E. 4:00	147	2	9	1	9		15		11		18		34		51	1
F. 5:00	135	2	13		11		16		20	1	14		26	1	35	
G. 6:00	290	3	48		50		40		30		53	2	31		38	1
H. 7:00	546	3	126		72		88	1	94	1	110		26	1	30	
I. 8:00	520	2	99		78		108		70		107	1	33		25	1
J. 9:00	401	3	68		54	1	73		56		71	2	38		41	
K. 10:00	508	4	83		79		78		61	1	72	2	73	1	62	
L. 11:00	554		93		89		76		71		79		82		64	
M. Noon	682	3	120		86		104		90	2	84		112	1	86	
N. 1:00	588	2	103	1	71		78		84		76		84		92	1
O. 2:00	620	3	92	1	88		93	1	62		99	1	95		91	
P. 3:00	818	3	127		135		143	1	111	1	126	1	90		86	
Q. 4:00	834	1	151		119	1	100		133		139		88		104	
R. 5:00	794	2	125		127		107		102		125		118		90	2
S. 6:00	546	5	88		77	1	61		56	1	81	1	93	1	90	1
T. 7:00	530	4	67		82	1	47		38		96		104	3	96	
U. 8:00	389	3	48		57	1	43		28		79	1	82		52	1
V. 9:00	417	1	55		43		38		55		86		81		59	1
W. 10:00	392	6	41	2	48	1	35	1	29		70		85	1	84	1
X. 11:00	389	5	35		45		49		40	1	80	2	93		47	2
Y. Not Stated																
TOTALS	11173	80	1685	9	1518	8	1475	5	1333	10	1788	15	1708	13	1666	20

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VI. AGE OF CASUALTY	NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED									NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED								
	TOTAL KILLED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS			TOTAL INJURED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
A. 0 to 4	2	2		2	2					194	91	103	17	9	8			
B. 5 to 9	2	2		2	2					219	111	108	47	33	14	10	6	4
C. 10 to 14	5	2	3	1	1					215	107	108	21	14	7	30	20	10
D. 15 to 19	11	8	3							1055	594	461	20	8	12	9	7	2
E. 20 to 24	18	16	2	2	1	1				1151	713	438	25	14	11	3	3	
F. 25 to 34	23	21	2	5	5					1465	844	621	33	18	15	8	7	1
G. 35 to 44	9	8	1	2	2					653	380	273	12	11	1	1	1	
H. 45 to 54	8	6	2							438	222	216	4	4				
I. 55 to 64	7	4	3	1	1					337	180	157	12	11	1			
J. 65 to 74	4	3	1	1	1					177	80	97	3	1	2			
K. 75 & Older	2	1	1							91	37	54	5	2	3			
L. Not Stated										36	18	18						
TOTALS	91	73	18	16	15	1				6031	3377	2654	199	125	74	61	44	17

VII. AGE OF DRIVER	MALE	FEMALE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. 14 and Younger*	12	9	21		13
B. 15	141	86	227	1	73
C. 16	297	142	439	1	159
D. 17	451	229	680	4	241
E. 18	578	264	842	3	294
F. 19	636	246	882	8	305
G. 20 to 24	2610	1174	3784	23	1334
H. 25 to 34	3333	1641	4974	33	1857
I. 35 to 44	1589	820	2409	20	887
J. 45 to 54	1122	496	1618	9	557
K. 55 to 64	907	387	1294	8	428
L. 65 to 74	485	232	717	3	243
M. 75 & Older	184	79	263	2	92
N. Not Stated	78	27	105		31
TOTALS	12423	5832	18255	115	6514
*Unlicensed Drivers					

VIII. TYPE OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Passenger Car	14341	71	4887
B. Passenger Car and Trailer	20		2
C. Truck or Truck Tractor	4124	20	1315
D. Truck Tractor, Semitrailer or Trailer	569	14	159
E. Other Truck Combination	82	1	19
F. Farm Tractor and/or Farm Equipment	12		2
G. Taxicab	84	1	44
H. Bus	61		23
I. School Bus	51		10
J. Motorcycle	215	6	175
K. Motor Scooter/Motor Bicycle	4		4
L. Bicycle	70		62
TOTALS	19633	113	6702
SPECIAL VEHICLES INCLUDED ABOVE			
M. Emergency (Including Privately Own)	115	1	57
N. Military Vehicles	2		
O. Other Publicly Owned Vehicles	152	2	39
P. Others and Not Stated	1041	4	157

IX. CONDITION OF DRIVER AND PEDESTRIANS	CONDITION OF PEDESTRIANS			CONDITION OF DRIVER		
	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Apparently Asleep	1	1		94	2	49
B. Inattentive or Distracted	61	3	57	3921	11	1302
C. Illness				11		9
D. Eyesight Defect				16	1	3
E. Fainting, Blackout, Etc.				25		20
F. Hearing Defect				3		3
G. Fatigued				15		6
H. Other Body Defects	1		1	9		5
I. Had Been Drinking	22	2	20	1374	28	733
J. Condition Unknown	38	7	31	961	34	353
K. Normal	97	3	90	11826	39	4031
TOTALS	220	16	199	18255	115	6514

X. CONDITION OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Brakes	184	1	78
B. Defective Headlights	16		7
C. Defective Rear Lights	47	1	21
D. Defective Signal Lights	10		5
E. All Lights Out	10		7
F. Defective Steering	29		16
G. Tire Failure	67	1	24
H. Worn or Smooth Tires	90	2	46
I. Engine Failure	43	1	13
J. No Defects Observed	20031	112	6615
K. Other Defects	416	2	123
TOTALS	20943	120	6955

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XI. ROAD SURFACE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Dry	9245	72	3123
B. Wet	1905	8	645
C. Muddy	5		2
D. Snow			
E. Other	18		4
TOTALS	11173	80	3774
A. Concrete	3732	17	1149
B. Blacktop	7174	62	2551
C. Brick	17		3
D. Gravel	129	1	36
E. Dirt	46		14
F. Other	75		21
TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XII. ALIGNMENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Straight–Level	9360	53	3089
B. Curve–Level	916	18	375
C. On-Grade–Straight	420	2	145
D. On-Grade–Curve	198	3	82
E. Hillcrest–Straight	129	2	46
F. Hillcrest–Curve	34	1	12
G. Dip, Hump–Straight	29		9
H. Dip, Hump–Curve	8		3
I. Other	79	1	13
TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XIII. WEATHER CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Clear	7203	53	2416
B. Cloudy	2507	24	853
C. Raining	1354	3	457
D. Snow/Sleet			
E. Fog	97		43
F. Smoke	2		1
G. Dust	10		4
TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XIV. ROADWAY CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Shoulder	169	3	68
B. Holes	43	1	15
C. Deep Ruts	10		6
D. Bumps	80	1	28
E. Loose Surface Material	112		37
F. Construction, Repair	102	1	38
G. Overhead Clearance Limited	1		
H. Construction–No Warning	6		
I. Previous Accident	10		5
J. Flooding	3		
K. Water on Roadway	306	1	116
L. Orthogonal Fault in Road Surface	6		
M. Parallel Fault in Road Surface	1		
N. Other Defects	68		26
O. No Defects	10256	73	3435
TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XV. TRAFFIC CONTROL	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Stop Sign	1925	6	653
B. Yield Sign	236		56
C. Red Signal On	1370		538
D. Yellow Signal On	108		52
E. Green Signal On	1343	1	451
F. Green Turn Arrow On	67		15
G. Right Turn on Red	10		4
H Light Phase Unknown	229		104
I. Flashing Yellow	165	1	65
J. Flashing Red	85		30
K. Officer–Watchman	34		23
L. R.R. Crossing Sign	47	2	20
M. R.R. Crossing Signal	36		7
N. R.R. Crossing No Control	9		6
O. Warning Sign (School, Etc.)	177	3	76
P. School Flashing Speed Sign	7		3
Q. Yellow No Passing Line	2264	40	950
R. White Dashed Line	5910	52	2123
S. No Control	6072	13	1545
T. Other	849	2	234
TOTALS	20943	120	6955

XVI. LIGHT CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Daylight	7152	26	2218
B. Dark–No Street Lights	1143	33	506
C. Dusk or Dawn	314	5	112
D. Dark–Continuous Street Light	2057	10	754
E. Dark–Lights at Intersection Only	507	6	184
TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XVII. TRAFFIC CONTROL CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Controls Functioning	20750	120	6887
B. Controls Not Functioning	72		37
C. Control Obscured	43		17
D. Lane Marking Unclear or Defective	78		14
TOTALS	20943	120	6955

XVIII. TYPE OF ROADWAY	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. One-Way Road or Street	885	2	301
B. Two-Way Undivided Road or Street	6638	56	2218
C. Expressway	530	6	192
D. Other Divided Road or Street	2388	13	897
E. Other	732	3	166
TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XIX. KIND OF LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Manufacturing or Industrial	263	2	92
B. Business Continuous	3255	11	931
C. Business, Mixed Residential	2921	8	1017
D. Residential District	2280	7	728
E. Residential Scattered	837	11	363
F. School or Playground	181		37
G. Open Country	1172	38	518
H. Other	264	3	88
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XX.		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. VIOLATIONS	A. Exceeding Stated Speed	132	9	68
	B. Exceeding Safe Speed	270	10	136
	C. Failure to Yield	2178	8	776
	D. Following Too Closely	979		336
	E. Driving Left of Center	204	7	89
	F. Cutting In, Improper Passing	227	1	58
	G. Failure to Signal	28		7
	H. Made Wide Right Turn	56	1	4
	I. Cut Corner on Left Turn	38		8
	J. Turned from Wrong Lane	156		24
	K. Other Improper Turning	215		61
	L. Disregarded Traffic Control	406		174
	M. Improper Starting	50		6
	N. Improper Parking	77	1	13
	O. Failure to Set Out Flags, Flares	8		6
	P. Failure to Dim Headlights	3		2
	Q. Vehicle Condition	200	1	73
	R. Driver Condition	622	9	341
	S. Other Violations (Hazardous)	5550	25	1612
	T. No Violation	9544	48	3161
	TOTALS	20943	120	6955

B. CONTRIBUTING FACTOR	A. Violations	9537	49	2902
	B. Movement Prior to Accident	245		85
	C. Vision Obscurements			
	D. Conditions of Drivers/Pedestrians	1292	27	694
	E. Pedestrian Actions	91	4	87
	F. Vehicle Conditions			
	G. Road Surface			
	H. Roadway Condition	7		5
	I. Lighting			
	J. Weather			
	K. Traffic Control			
	L. Kind of Location	1		1
	TOTALS	11173	80	3774

C. VISION OBSCUREMENTS	A. Rain, Snow, Etc. on Windshield	1353	2	500
	B. Windshield Otherwise Obscured	19		10
	C. Vision Obscured by Load	37		4
	D. Trees, Bushes, Etc.	103	3	27
	E. Building	20		6
	F. Embankment	7		4
	G. Sign Boards	11		6
	H. Hillcrest	49		20
	I. Parked Vehicles	266		92
	J. Moving Vehicles	369		135
	K. Blinded By Headlights	24		8
	L. Blinded By Sun Glare	66		31
	M. Distracted by Neon Lights in Field of View	2		1
	N. Other Obscurements	414	2	130
	O. No Obscurements	18203	113	5981
	TOTALS	20943	120	6955

XXI. NUMBER OF VEHICLES INVOLVED		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A.	One Vehicle Collision	189	15	170
B.	One Vehicle Collision (Excluding Pedestrians)	1942	27	845
C.	Two Vehicle Collision	8409	36	2396
D.	Three Vehicle Collision	568	2	326
E.	Four or More Vehicle Collision	65		37
	TOTALS	11173	80	3774

XXII. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A.	Crossing, Entering, Roadway at Intersection	35	1	34
B.	Crossing, Entering, Roadway not at Intersection	80	5	74
C.	Walking in Roadway–with Traffic	11	3	6
D.	Walking in Roadway–against Traffic	3		3
E.	Sleeping in Roadway	1	1	
F.	Standing in Roadway	11	1	10
G.	Getting On or Off Other Vehicle	2		2
H.	Pushing, Working on Vehicle in Roadway	6		6
I.	Other Working in Roadway	4		4
J.	Playing in Roadway	15	2	13
K.	Other in Roadway	34	3	30
L.	Not in Roadway	18		17
	TOTALS	220	16	199

XXIII. EJECTION		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. DRIVERS	A. Not Ejected	29	101	1124	2017
	B. Partially Ejected	10	4	26	23
	C. Totally Ejected	10	14	24	13
	D. Unknown if Ejected	1	1	10	3
	E. Wearing Helmet		5	45	29
	F. Not Wearing Helmet	6	6	61	25
B. OCCUPANTS	A. Not Ejected	7	36	574	1501
	B. Partially Ejected	1	1	14	28
	C. Totally Ejected	11	8	24	18
	D. Unknown if Ejected		1	1	4
	E. Wearing Helmet		2	3	6
	F. Not Wearing Helmet		2	12	5

XXIV. SAFETY EQUIPMENT		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. SEAT BELT	A. Not Installed	10	27	189	209
	B. Installed Not in Use	58	124	1504	2946
	C. In Use (Told)		5	69	191
	D. In Use (Observed)			2	4
	E. Use Unknown	7	25	154	321
	F. Equipment Failed				1
B. SHOR. HAR.	A. Not Installed	19	39	303	459
	B. Installed Not in Use	46	115	1413	2761
	C. In Use (Told)		5	51	130
	D. In Use (Observed)			2	4
	E. Use Unknown	10	22	148	318
	F. Equipment Failed			1	

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